

STREETS AND UTILITIES TASK FORCE MEETING (MARCH 8, 2011)

ACTION ITEMS

*** Dale Street Lighting vs. Rice Street Lighting (Cost Estimates)**

Q1: A task force member asked for a clarification on why the cost estimates for the Dale Street Project were more than the Rice Street Project given that the Rice Street project was longer in length with similar lighting styles.

Action Taken: The financing information for the Dale–Selby to Grand Lighting and Rice–Rose to Larpeur Lighting were inadvertently switched during data entry of the projects and some of the financing numbers were slightly different:

Dale Street Lighting – Selby to Grand = \$251,000

Rice Street Lighting – Rose to Larpeur = \$1,010,000

(See attached revised financing sheets for the projects)

Q2: A task force member asked about the number of accidents occurring at night.

Action Taken: See the attached sheet which shows the number and percentage of accidents that occurred at night for the limits of the Dale Street and Rice Street lighting projects.

*** Central Corridor Streetscape**

Q1: A task force member asked for a line-item cost estimate breakdown for the proposed betterments on the Central Corridor Project

Action Taken: Estimate for streetscape amenities on University Avenue from Rice Street to Emerald Street

* Street trees, with structural soil, boulevard pavers	\$ 4,300,000
* Twin lantern street lights	\$ 1,900,000
* Median improvements (plantings, irrigation, design upgrades)	\$ 3,100,000
* Overhead contact system poles (upgraded)	\$ 1,000,000
* Hardscape improvements (colored crosswalks & corners)	\$ 2,700,000
* Sidewalk furnishings (benches, litter receptacles)	<u>\$ 600,000</u>

*** 35E/Cayuga Reconstruction & Bridge Repalcement**

Q1: A task force member asked what the maintenance costs would be for the bike paths being proposed under this project.

Action Taken: The Gateway bike trail extension and connection will be maintained by the DNR. Maintenance of the new off-road trail along the south side of Cayuga between the 35E West Frontage Road and Phalen Boulevard (approximately 1,520 feet) will cost \$1,725 annually.

*** Pierce Butler East Extension**

Q1: A task force member asked for a breakdown of the Right-of-Way costs for both phases of the Pierce Butler Extension project.

Action Taken: ROW estimates for both phases of Pierce Butler project are:

Phase I: \$8,500,000

Phase II: \$16,500,000

NOTE: The project has already spent \$3,197,992.40 on ROW acquisition with other properties pending or in negotiations to be acquired.

The funding approved in prior years for Pierce Butler Project = \$8,842,000 not \$8,042,000 as shown on the financing page in the project proposal.

2006 - \$1,000,000

2008 - \$1,902,000

2009 - \$3,000,000

2011 - \$1,940,000

\$1,000,000 (transfer from Phalen Boulevard Project)

Total = \$8,842,000

***Raymond Avenue Improvements – University to Hampden**

Q1: A task force member asked how much maintenance costs increase (if any) when traffic calming measures (traffic circles, bumpouts, etc..) are installed on a project.

Action Taken: This information is not tracked by Public Works. One can assume the maintenance activities associated with the installation of traffic calming techniques like traffic circles and bumpouts has minimal or no effect on street maintenance costs. Plantings and gardens within traffic circles are maintained by the community. Bumpouts essentially become part of the sidewalk. Maintenance activities related to the installation of traffic calming devices would have to be looked at on a case-by-case basis.